

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
**Richard W. Gross et al.** ) Group Art Unit: 2662 (expected)  
New Divisional Application based on ) Examiner: Ahmed Elallam (expected)  
Serial No. 10/189,212 )  
Filed: **July 7, 2003** )  
For: **Splitterless Multicarrier Modem** )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

July 7, 2003

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please note that the portions of the specification provided below are in their amended form. They are further presented as an attachment to the Amendment whereby the amendments to the specification are shown using the conventional technique of bracketing and underlining.

Applicants have endeavored to maintain consistency between the marked-up and clean versions of the specification. However, should there be a discrepancy, the clean version prevails.

On page 1, please replace paragraphs [0001], [0003], [0004], [0005] with the following:

**[0001]** This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/189,212, filed July 5, 2002, which is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/573,816, filed May 17, 2000, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/485,614, filed on February 11, 2000, now U.S.